IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF LATVIA FOR SWINE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

- 1. The United States has been free of African swine fever, foot-and-mouth disease, classical swine fever (hog cholera) and Teschen disease for at least 3 years and the vaccination against these diseases is prohibited in the United States.
- 2. The animals originated from States that have been free of vesicular stomatitis for the last 12 months.
- 3. The animals for export were not vaccinated for leptospirosis and Aujeszky's disease (pseudorabies).
- 4. The animals for export originated from pseudorabies qualified negative herds and brucellosis-validated herds for the last 12 months.
- 5. The animals for export originated from premises where trichinosis and tuberculosis are not known to have occurred for the last 3 years.
- 6. The animals originated from premises where no clinical signs of Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (Epizootic swine abortion) were observed during the last 2 years.
- 7. The animals for export were vaccinated for erysipelas with inactivated vaccine with _____ (name of the product) on _____ (date) at least 14 days prior to shipment.
- 8. The animals originated from premises that have been clinically free of leptospirosis and erysipelas for the last 12 months.
- 9. The animals were treated for internal and external parasites with ______ (name of product) on _____ (date).
- 10. The animals for export were held for at least 30 days in a USDA-approved export isolation facility where they were examined periodically and were found free from symptoms of any communicable disease.

- 11. The animals will be transported to the port of embarkation in cleaned and disinfected vehicles.
- 12. After due inquiry, I am satisfied that the swine to be exported have not been fed garbage at any time.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The animals were negative to the following tests during USDA-approved isolation and within 30 days prior to export.

1. Tuberculosis: intradermal test

2. Brucellosis: standard tube or standard plate test at 1:25 dilution

3. Leptospirosis: microscopic agglutination test at 1:100 dilution

4. Transmissible

gastroenteritis: serum neutralization (SN) test at 1:8 dilution or ELISA test

5. Aujeszky's disease: SN test at 1:8 dilution

6. Porcine Reproductive

and Respiratory Syndrome: IFA test at 1:20 dilution

EMBARKATION CERTIFICATION

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian shall attach to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate, the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) Showing:

- 1. The name and address of the consignor.
- 2. The name and address of the consignee.
- 3. The number and species of animals to be shipped.
- 4. A statement that the animals have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease, external parasites and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.